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## **Hansberger Names Former Highland Mayor as Chief of Staff**

Today Supervisor Hansberger announced the appointment of former Highland Mayor Jim Rissmiller as Chief of Staff for the Third District.

“Jim has experience in government from both the state and local levels that will very helpful in his new role. And, the political arena is not new to him,” said Supervisor Dennis Hansberger.

In November 2006, Rissmiller retired from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), where he served as the Fire Chief for the City of Highland. He is also President of the San Bernardino County Taxpayer’s Coalition. In December 2006, Rissmiller received the Medal of Valor from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger for actions during the 2003 Fire Storms in San Bernardino County.

Rissmiller replaces Bruce Davis as Hansberger’s Chief of Staff. Davis requested to return to his previous position so he could focus on representing the residents of the Third District’s Morongo Basin communities.

“I am excited about the opportunity, and I am looking forward to working for Supervisor Hansberger and the entire Third District team,” said Rissmiller. “Bruce did a fantastic job, and it will be difficult to fill his shoes.”

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